ORDER

ROAD AND AREA CLOSURE

WALLOWA-WHITMAN NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on the area, roads, road segments, and trails described in this order within the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest, until further notice.

Being on National Forest System (NFS) Trail 102, Snake River National Recreation Trail, from the south side of Kirkwood Ranch to Half Moon Bar. Total closure is approximately 1 mile in length.

36 CFR 261.54(a).

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
- 2. Any Federal, State or local law enforcement officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

Done at Baker City, Oregon, this 10th day of March, 2011.

/s/Mary E. Farnsworth
Forest Supervisor
Wallowa-Whitman National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571)

JUSTIFICATION

This section of NFS Trail 102 is being closed for public safety. The current condition of the trail is unstable and will not allow safe passage for stock or hikers. Inspections of the retaining wall show support rocks have been displaced and large holes have developed on the trail surface. No alternative routes on designated trails are available.

LAW ENFORCEMENT PLAN

The District will post closure notice signs on the effected trail section. Enforcement action will be taken by FPO's and Law Enforcement Officers. The enforcement action will be at the Officers' discretion and will follow standard Law Enforcement policy. The action will range from a verbal warning, written warning, or Notice of Violation.